

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 504 – HB 633

February 3, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits an individual or entity from selling, offering for sale, or providing an air ambulance membership agreement to an individual who is enrolled in TennCare. Requires an individual or entity that provides an air ambulance membership agreement to an individual who subsequently enrolls in TennCare to provide the enrollee with a pro-rated refund of consideration paid for the membership. Requires such individuals or entities to include specified disclosures on their websites, brochures, marketing materials, and applications.

Authorizes an enrollee who believes an individual or entity is in violation to submit a complaint to the Consumer Protection Division (Division) in the Office of the Attorney General (AG). Authorizes the Division to assess a fine of \$5,000 per violation. Requires an individual or entity that is fined more than \$50,000 in a calendar year to initiate and complete a corrective action plan, as approved by the Division. Establishes that any individual or entity that fails to complete the corrective action plan as determined by the Division permanently loses the right to sell otherwise provide memberships for an air ambulance transport service in this state.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any increase in the number of complaints handled by the AG is estimated to be not significant and can be handled by existing staff during normal work hours.
- Any additional AG duties resulting from the proposed legislation will be absorbed using existing resources.
- Any additional workload on the courts, as a result of this legislation, can be accommodated within existing resources and personnel.
- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee's 2008 study and the Administrative Office of the Courts' 2012 study on collection of court costs, fees, and fines, collection in criminal cases is insignificant. The proposed legislation will not significantly change state or local revenue.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Any impact to commerce or jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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